

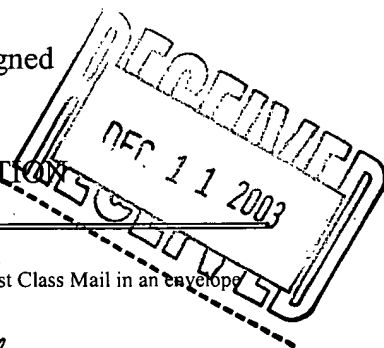


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Attorney Docket No.: ECD-0014  
Customer No.: 29344

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Applicant(s): James A. Merkle, Jr. *et al.* Examiner: Not yet assigned  
Serial No.: 10/062,400 Group Art Unit: 2132  
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Title: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR MEDIA AUTHENTICATION



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Sir:

Enclosed herewith for filing in the above-identified patent application please find the following listed items:

1. Correction of Inventorship under 37 C.F.R. 1.48(a);
2. Statement of Lack of Deceptive Intention;
3. Letter of Consent;
4. Executed Declaration, Petition and Power of Attorney;
5. Petition under Rule 1.183;
6. Check in the amount of \$260.00 to cover Petition Fee and Processing Fee; and
7. Return Postcard

Please change the Attorney Docket Number to ECD-0014.

In connection with the foregoing matter, please charge any additional fees which may be due, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 50-1798. A duplicate copy of this letter is provided for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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Correction of Inventorship under 37 C.F.R. 1.48(a)

Sir:

The Applicants respectfully request amendment of the inventorship in the present application. Specifically, inventorship in the present application is amended to add Andrew R. Lee as inventor. Inventorship in the present application is as follows:

James A. Merkle, Jr.  
Richard B. LeVine  
Daniel G. Howard  
Andrew R. Lee

Under 37 C.F.R. 1.48 (a), the following are submitted herewith:

1. Statement of Andrew R. Lee indicating that the error in inventorship occurred without deceptive intention on his part.
2. Written consent of Assignee, ECD Systems, Inc.
3. Declaration by actual inventors executed by Richard B. Levine, Daniel G. Howard and Andrew R. Lee.

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4. Petition under Rule 37 C.F.R. 1.183 with respect to present unavailability of James A. Merkle, Jr.
5. Petition fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(h) for Rule 1.183 petition.
6. Processing fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i) for Rule 1.48 submission

Respectfully submitted,

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Statement of Lack of Deceptive Intention

The error made in my omission from being named as an inventor in the present application occurred without deceptive intention.

Respectfully submitted,

*Andrew R. Lee*

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LETTER OF CONSENT

Sir:

The undersigned, whose title is supplied below, consents to the addition of Andrew R. Lee as an additional joint inventor on behalf of ECD Systems, Inc., the Assignee in the captioned United States patent application.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: November 10, 2003

John J. Hart, III  
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ECD Systems, Inc.

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Petition under Rule 1.183

Applicant hereby requests suspension and/or waiver of the requirement under Rule 37 C.F.R. 1.64 that each of the actual inventors, in particular originally named inventor James A. Merkle, Jr., re-execute the newly-submitted declaration enclosed herewith. Mr. Merkle is unavailable to execute the declaration. See M.P.E.P. 201.03 (Part B. Oath or Declaration).

Mr. Merkle executed an original declaration in the application on March 18, 2002, and executed an assignment to ECD Systems, Inc. on that date. The executed declaration was filed in the application on April 26, 2002. The assignment was filed for recording on that date (Reel 012880, frame 153).

Assignee consent to the addition of Andrew R. Lee as inventor is submitted herewith.

Accordingly, suspension and/or waiver of the requirement under 37 CFR 1.48 (a)(2) with respect to the re-execution of the declaration by Mr. Merkle is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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